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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group Art Unit: 3624

Examiner: Richard C. Weisberger

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONVERTING
INFORMATION ON PAPER FORMS TO ELECTRONIC DATA

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

The restriction requirement imposed in the Office Communication mailed March 10, 2003, in the above captioned application, requires election between Claims 1-12 (Group I) and Claims 13-17 and 19-27 (Group II).

Applicant hereby elects Group II, Claims 13-17 and 19-27, and withdraws Group I, Claims 1-12, without waiver or disclaimer.

Applicant authorizes the fee due for the one-month extension under 35 U.S.C. § 1.136 to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0206. Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of the application in light of the election and Applicant's remarks set forth in its previous response to the first office action.

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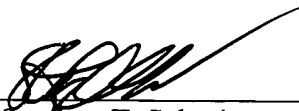


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Should the Examiner require resolution of any issues for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Herbert Kerner at 202-955-1983 to expedite the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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